1	2	3
9.	North East-I	578
10.	North East-II	1,289
11.	Orissa	4,899
12.	Rajasthan	18
13.	Uttaranchal	3,544
	TOTAL:	14,183

Setting up of mega semi-conductor fab in Andhra Pradesh

906. SHRI NANDI YELLAIAH: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of Andhra Pradesh has requested Central Government for setting up of mega semi-conductor fab in Andhra Pradesh and further requested for equity contribution for the project to boost the potentialities of chip making and to develop hardware capabilities in the field of Information Technology;

(b) if so, the action taken in this regard; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD): (a) to (c) The State Government of Andhra Pradesh has made a request to the Government of India to facilitate setting up of a semi-conductor manufacturing industry in the country. The State Government agreed to provide land and other infrastructure support to such industry proposed to be set up in Andhra Pradesh. The State Government has further requested that in view of the strategic importance of semi-conductor industry and its role in boosting the Indian chip making and hardware capabilities, Government of India may consider to provide an equity contribution and a part of infrastructure investment for establishing the Semi-conductor Fab.

The Department of Information Technology has received similar requests for setting up Semi-conductor Fabs in India. They have been informed that at present the Government of India does not have a policy to provide equity financing.